



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 92

LCO No. 607

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Referred to Committee on Insurance and Real Estate

Introduced by:
(INS)

AN ACT CONCERNING PRESCRIPTION EYE DROPS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 38a-492m of the 2010 supplement to the general
2 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
3 (*Effective January 1, 2011*):

4 Each individual health insurance policy providing coverage of the
5 type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-
6 469 delivered, issued for delivery, amended, renewed or continued in
7 this state, [on or after January 1, 2010,] that provides coverage for
8 prescription eye drops, shall [not deny] provide coverage for: [a]

9 (1) A renewal of prescription eye drops when [(1)] (A) the renewal is
10 requested by the insured less than thirty days from the later of [(A)] (i)
11 the date the original prescription was distributed to the insured, or
12 [(B)] (ii) the date the last renewal of such prescription was distributed
13 to the insured, and [(2)] (B) the prescribing physician indicates on the
14 original prescription that additional quantities are needed and the
15 renewal requested by the insured does not exceed the number of
16 additional quantities needed; and

17 (2) One additional bottle of prescription eye drops when (A) such
18 bottle is requested by the insured or the prescribing physician at the
19 time the original prescription is filled, and (B) the prescribing
20 physician indicates on the original prescription that such additional
21 bottle is needed by the insured for use in a day care center or school.
22 Such additional bottle shall be limited to one every three months.

23 Sec. 2. Section 38a-518l of the 2010 supplement to the general
24 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
25 (*Effective January 1, 2011*):

26 Each group health insurance policy providing coverage of the type
27 specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469
28 delivered, issued for delivery, amended, renewed or continued in this
29 state, [on or after January 1, 2010,] that provides coverage for
30 prescription eye drops, shall [not deny] provide coverage for: [a]

31 (1) A renewal of prescription eye drops when [(1)] (A) the renewal is
32 requested by the insured less than thirty days from the later of [(A)] (i)
33 the date the original prescription was distributed to the insured, or
34 [(B)] (ii) the date the last renewal of such prescription was distributed
35 to the insured, and [(2)] (B) the prescribing physician indicates on the
36 original prescription that additional quantities are needed and the
37 renewal requested by the insured does not exceed the number of
38 additional quantities needed; and

39 (2) One additional bottle of prescription eye drops when (A) such
40 bottle is requested by the insured or the prescribing physician at the
41 time the original prescription is filled, and (B) the prescribing
42 physician indicates on the original prescription that such additional
43 bottle is needed by the insured for use in a day care center or school.
44 Such additional bottle shall be limited to one every three months.

<p>This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:</p>
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Section 1	<i>January 1, 2011</i>	38a-492m
Sec. 2	<i>January 1, 2011</i>	38a-518l

Statement of Purpose:

To require insurance coverage for an additional bottle of prescription eye drops for use by the insured in a day care center or school.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]